



PUHINUI SCHOOL

Newsletter



2 February 2017

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I'd like to extend a very warm welcome to our students, their parents and families on their return to school after the very warm summer holidays. To our new students and their families, I hope your first few days at Puhinui have been positive and you feel settled at your new school. I'm sure your time with us will be both enjoyable and rewarding.

TERM ONE OVERVIEW: Attached is an overview of events for Term One. Not all events will be applicable to your child or children but you will be able to note those that are. When there are events which involve your child, you will be informed by a notice or letter.

ORGANISATION AND STAFFING FOR 2017:

Principal	Mr M. Elder		
Assistant Principal	Mrs S. Valeli		
Senior Teachers	Mrs L. Borrie Mr L. Mose Mrs H. Botha Miss A. Cave	Support programmes Senior Syndicate Middle Syndicate Junior Syndicate	
Senior School	Mrs J. Pearse Mrs V. Appleton Mr C. Baird Mrs T. Stowers Mr E. Feau Miss N. Oates Mr B. Read/Mr L. Mose	Rm. 1 Rm. 2 Rm. 3 Rm. 4 Rm. 5 Rm. 6 Rm. 7	Y.5/6 Y.5/6 Y.4/5 Y.5/6 Y.5/6 Y.5/6 Y.5/6
Middle School	Mr M. Khan Mrs Krishna Mrs M. Waimotu Mrs H. Botha Miss M. Tung Mr B. Cherrington Miss J. Carter Miss E. Boss	Rm. 8 Rm. 15 Rm. 16 Rm. 17 Rm. 18 Rm. 19 Rm. 20 Rm. 22	Y.3/4 Y.3/4 Y.3/4 Y.3/4 Y.3/4 Y.3/4 Y.3/4 Y.3/4
Junior School	Miss S. Walker Mrs K. Harland Miss S. Ashley Miss R. Grace Mrs J. Virk Ms P. Kirkwood Miss R. Gagen Miss A. Cave Miss J. Bloem Miss K. Chapman	Rm. 9 Rm. 10 Rm. 11 Rm. 12 Rm. 13 Rm. 14 Rm. 21 Rm. 23 Rm. 24 Rm. 25	Y. 1/2 Y. 1/2 Y. 1/2 Y. 1/2 Y. 1/2 Y. 1/2 Y. 1/2 N.E Y. 1/2 N.E
Social Worker	Mr C. Millsteed		
I.C.T.	Mr S. Pedersen, Mr D. Tia		
Part Time Teachers	Mrs J. Ravji, Mr A. Khan, Mrs R. Fleming		
Office Staff	Miss L. Campbell, Miss M. Levi		
Library Staff	Miss T. Andrew, Mrs J. Hopkins		
School Counsellor	Kamalinder Kaur		
Support Programmes	Mrs S. Melling, Mrs J. Frost, Mrs S. Munthree		
Literacy and 'in class' support	Mrs H. Haylock, Mrs W. Clatworthy, Mrs D. Lunny, Mr G. Stanisich, Mrs D. Ailuai, Miss L. Doherty, Mrs V. Nehme, Mrs L. Cave, Mrs J. Gow, Miss D. Botha, Mrs M. Daji, Mrs N. Lameko, Miss K. Habib, Mrs K. McGregor, Miss C. Kemp, Ms A. Linstead, Mrs S. Nisha, Miss D. Borrie, Mrs C. Palalagi, Miss M. Stevenson, Mrs C. Akama.		

Learning Assistants	Ms M. Prasad, Miss B. Joseph, Miss T. Joseph
Property Officer	Mr C. Rowley
Cleaners	Mr and Mrs Falaniko, Seaway cleaners
B.O.T.	Mr L. Waimotu, Mr R. Manaia, Mr M. Chalmers, Mr S. Haylock

SCHOOL HOURS: The school day for students commences at 8.50 a.m. and ends at 3.00 p.m. We ask that parents ensure that their children are at school in plenty of time to organise themselves for the start of school and have time to talk to and play with their friends before the class bell rings. The breaks during the day are:

Morning break	10.50 to 11.10 a.m.	Lunch break	12.40 to 1.40 p.m.
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PUNCTUALITY: As parents it is your responsibility to make sure your children are at school on time. Lateness is learned behaviour, as is being punctual. Children don't like being late for school because they miss out on things. A great service parents can do for their children is to teach them the importance of being on time. Punctuality is an issue of organisation and time management.

SCHOOL DONATION: The school donation for students attending Puhinui School for 2017 has remained the same as last year. The cost per child is \$40 for the year with a maximum cost to any family, irrespective of the number of children, being \$80 per year. The donation can be paid on a term by term basis of \$10 per term per child.

DENTAL HUB: Dental services are accessed from 2C Grayson Avenue. The parking directly outside the clinic is provided for dental staff and parents of children being treated. The dental hub's phone number is 278 1975.

GRAYSON AVENUE ACCESSWAY: This has been designed as a drop off zone in the mornings and a pick up zone at the end of school. The parking is limited and cannot accommodate parking for everyone. When parents show patience and consideration for others and just how the facility works, traffic flows and children are dropped off and picked up successfully. Staff members are on duty to help facilitate this happening. They may have to talk to parents and guide them. We appreciate your assistance in keeping our students safe.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES: Please keep in mind our Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Wednesday the 1st of March (week 5). School will finish on the 1st of March at 1.30 p.m. in order for teachers to begin meeting parents at 1.40 p.m. We ask that you please keep this in mind as it will mean your children will need to be collected from school at 1.30 p.m. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

WAITANGI DAY: Monday the 6th of February is Waitangi Day, a public holiday and school will be closed.

TEACHER ONLY DAY: Please be advised on Monday the 13th of February, Puhinui School will be closed for a teacher only day. Our staff will be participating in professional development involving phonemic awareness in the literacy programme. Please keep this in mind and make the necessary arrangements for the 13th of February.

REMINDER: No school on Monday 6th February (Waitangi Day)
 No school on Monday 13th February (Teachers Only Day, Professional Development)
 School closes at 1.30 p.m. on 1st March for Parent Teacher Conferences.

SWIMMING: Swimming is compulsory as part of the New Zealand Curriculum. If your child has a medical condition preventing him or her from swimming, a signed note from you is required. Please ensure your child has their togs and towel on their swimming days.

SCHOOL LUNCHES: School lunches will continue to be sold on **Mondays and Fridays only**. All children wishing to order school lunches need to do so at the auditorium between 8.20 and 8.50 a.m. on Mondays and Fridays. Lunches will be delivered to classrooms by our school lunch monitors. Orders can be placed from Friday the 17th of February. The food items and cost are as follows:

small mince pie	\$1.50	regular mince and cheese pie	\$2.00	potato top pie	\$2.00
sausage roll	\$1.50	chicken and gravy pie	\$2.00	bacon and egg pie	\$2.00
juice drinks	\$2.00				

CLASS PHOTOS: Class photos will be taken on Monday the 27th of February in the auditorium.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE: Bizzy Bodz provide before and after school care on the school site from Monday to Friday. If you would like any information regarding the care and cost please contact Jo Adamson on 530 9020, or visit their website www.bizzybodz.co.nz.

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Please sign and return this slip to school tomorrow so your child's name can be entered in a draw for a free school lunch.

Parent's Signature _____ Child's Name _____ Room _____